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## Ocean City: Proposed changes on board

Implemented proposals 'wood' change look of Ocean City boardwalk

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Renovations for Ocean City's iconic wooden boardwalk may soon drastically change it from the inside out.

"The boardwalk is in disrepair. I walk it every day, the whole five miles," said Ocean City council member Brent Ashley. "The undercarriages and the deck and boards have seen their day and the things you don't see beneath the surface are rotted."

According to Ashley, the last time the boardwalk was renovated in any entirety was 1985.

OceanCityMD.gov shows three options being considered by Ocean City Mayor Rick Meehan and the City Council.

The first is replacing the existing boards to preserve the traditional style and restructuring the foundation.

Option two is replacing the Boardwalk from 4th to 27th streets with wooden boards and adding a concrete train lane down the middle.

The third option is similar to option two, except it would feature colored and stamped concrete to emulate the appearance of wood.

"Traditional people like myself like the traditional wooden boardwalk," Ashley said.

"Practicality-wise, cement (would facilitate) the train running down the middle. Any option we have will be a major renovation underneath the structural pieces."

The Ocean City Boardwalk Renovation Project hosts an informal online poll open until Feb. 28. The website features three projections of what each proposed option would look

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Matt Goldman photo

Ocean City residents and visitors can voice their opinion on renovations to the popular boardwalk through a poll being conducted at OceanCityMD.gov.

## Lincoln's birthday brings Maryland Republicans together



Matt Goldman photo

Maryland's First District Congressman Andy Harris speaks to a Republican crowd at the Lincoln Day Dinner on Feb. 12. The event was hosted by the Wicomico County Republican Central Committee and the SU College Republicans. Eric Grannon, Maryland GOP Third Vice Chairman and an Abraham Lincoln impersonator also spoke.

## Andy Harris, Eric Grannon keynote Lincoln Day Dinner

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"Long live the Republicans," an Abraham Lincoln impersonator said during the former president's birthday dinner, to which Republicans throughout Maryland came to celebrate their like-minded views.

The Feb. 12 event was co-hosted by the Wicomico County Republican Central Committee and the Salisbury University College Republicans.

Tim Riley, president of the SU College Republicans, said

the event was an excuse to bring Republicans together for an evening.

"It is a fun, not serious event with lots of Republican speakers to bring people together during a non-election year," Riley said.

The two main speakers of the evening were Eric Grannon, the Maryland GOP Third Vice Chairman, and Andy Harris, Congressman from the First Congressional District of Maryland. However, the Lincoln impersonator was able to open the evening with a speech.

The speech offered hope as he talked about changing technology throughout his

lifetime and his personal relationship with God.

After approximately 75 guests finished their dinner, Grannon started the more serious part of the night. Grannon began as an attorney

"The Republican party is on the move.

We elected the right congressman. Now it's time to do the job."

Dave Parker  
Chairman of WCRCC

ney at a private practice and did not enter politics until he ran for State's Attorney. He only lost by a small margin, as he gained 49 percent of the vote. Grannon remains optimistic.

"My job is to get Republicans elected," Grannon said.

His plan to make this happen is to get votes from "non-traditional groups to get over 50 percent."

Harris, the featured speaker, spoke about three things he feels Republicans need to attack and have changed in his speech: the regulatory environment,

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## For SGA, tray-less is more

SGA and Dining Services have students go a day without trays

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Students found themselves performing a challenging balancing act as they made way over to seating in the Commons on Feb. 9.

Dining Services and the Student Government Association teamed up in an effort to go green by removing trays from The Commons for one day to reduce water usage and food waste.

These days, between the present economic downturn and the advances towards environmental awareness, schools are trying to find ways to save money as well as the planet. The newest proposal to aid in this eco-friendly transition is to remove trays from cafeterias.

SGA President Julia Glanz said going trayless decreases water usage and increases health consciousness. She said it may ultimately save on the food bill because students eat less.

Lunch and dinner gossip was largely surrounded by the change.

"It may just be a small inconvenience but I think it's a good habit for everyone to get into," said freshman Amanda Tess.

Freshman Shane Yeager, who filmed a video to promote the event, disagreed.

"The intention is good, however, the way they went about it wasn't so much," he said. "Making it voluntary would have been a good start."

Signs have been up in The Commons promoting tray-

less meals for a while, but this was the first event of the semester in which trays were taken away for the day.

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Amanda Tess  
Freshman

Some argue that going trayless is more of a risk than an advantage, showcas-

ing the large division students possess in regards to environmentalism and green politics, as it affects daily behavior and routines.

"I've heard of other campuses that have tried this initiative," freshman Stephanie Dato said. "Some schools have been successful while some have not, and I think it may not be the best fit for Salisbury."

Salisbury isn't the first school to promote the trayless idea.

"600 campuses across the country have gone trayless," Glanz said. "Think about all the water, energy, cleaning products and food that has saved. We can't just think at the micro level and just think Salisbury. We have to think

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## Third Friday is chance for students to bond with community

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On the third Friday of each month, downtown Salisbury comes alive for a festival aptly named Third Friday. The festival is a celebration of arts and entertainment within the Salisbury community, involving street vendors, local artists and live entertainment.

The event began in July 2009.

"Art is an economic development tool," said Connie Strott, a committee member for Third Friday. "We are trying to develop downtown Salisbury and promote the arts and entertainment district."

The event generally attracts large crowds of people depending on the season and Strott said she is expecting a fairly decent outcome for this

February's Third Friday event. The University has become involved with this month's event.

"We want to get our faces out there to further relations between students and the community," said Hayley Efland, Executive Vice President of SGA.

A number of student organizations will be at the event with stands that will include interactive activities. The Conflict Resolution Club will be selling baked goods and the Philosophical Society plans to sell books and bumper stickers.

"This is a good opportunity for organizations to raise some money, but the main idea is to improve relations," Efland said.

Saferide will also offer

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## Nice weather is near, spring cleaning is here

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In between reading textbooks, doing homework and writing papers, cleaning rarely takes priority in college life.

J & T Cleaning has a solution — the company offers to clean student apartments in University Park and University Village.

A locally owned and operated

cleaning service based out of Salisbury, the company offers residential and commercial cleaning and a 24-hour emergency service if needed.

"We started cleaning off-campus housing when (the students) moved out," said Terri Tanner of J & T Cleaning.

Tanner said that of the student apartments they have cleaned, the kids have been reliable.

"I would possibly take advantage of it because our apartment does get

very messy after the weekends," said Nicole Williams, a sophomore living in University Village.

The service seems ideal for messy apartments, but some students just do not have the monetary means.

"I would love to get our apartment cleaned," said Corey Bardoff, a junior living in University Park. "I just don't think I could afford it right now. It sounds like a great idea, though."

Tanner said some of their business

comes from students' parents calling to get apartments cleaned.

"I understand why parents would want to get apartments cleaned," said UP resident Kara Peoples.

"They don't want their kids living with the mold and dirt left behind by the old people who lived there. If you know your kid won't clean, I think it's an understandable thing."

On the other hand, parents who hold their children responsible for living conditions may not be so inclined to call.

"My parents see it as I'm an adult and I'm responsible for what I do," said Kelsey Norris, also a University Park resident.

J & T strips and waxes floors and sprays for air ducts to reduce the amount of dust lingering in the apartment, among other services. The company advertises by taping flyers to the doors of apartments.

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## Briefly Stated

**Tuesday, February 15**  
Summer in Spain Meeting  
Students interested in a five-week study abroad experience in southern Spain are invited to an interest meeting 3:30-4:30 p.m. in TETC Room 155. The summer program in Spain runs every summer from late May through late June and is based at the Universidad de Málaga in Málaga, Spain. The program is designed to totally immerse students into the Spanish language and culture. Students earn four credits for Spanish 309: Summer Program in Spain (Prerequisite: Spanish 202). Classes consist only of SU program students and are conducted by Universidad de Málaga faculty and the program director from SU's Modern Languages and Intercultural Department at the Universidad de Málaga's Centros para Extranjeros center located in the neighborhood of El Palo. For more information contact Dr. Leticia Ortega at leortega@salisbury.edu.

**Tuesday, Feb. 15**  
Salisbury Pictorial Book Signing  
The SU Bookstore hosts a book signing by Jason Rhodes, author of the recently released pictorial history *Images of America: Salisbury*, from 4:30-6 p.m. Rhodes is a member of SU's Public Relations Office staff. For more information call 410-543-6085 or visit the SU Bookstore Web site at <http://bookstore.salisbury.edu>.

**Thursday, Feb. 17**  
Writings Inspired by Nature Photography  
Faculty and staff from SU's English Department and University Galleries join forces to present "Natural Selections: A Reading of Writing Inspired by the 'Nature in American Photography' Exhibit in Fulton Hall." The evening of poetry and literature begins at 7 p.m. in the University Gallery of Fulton Hall. Admission is free and the public is invited. For more information contact Nancy Mitchell at 410-543-6540 or [nxmitchell@salisbury.edu](mailto:nxmitchell@salisbury.edu), or Jefferson Boyer, University Galleries interim director, at 410-548-2547 or [jboyer@salisbury.edu](mailto:jboyer@salisbury.edu).

## Cleaning

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The service also handed out coupons for the 2010 holiday season. Tanner said they will continue to advertise to college students.

Depending on what a student needs cleaned, charges range from \$10 for a bedroom to \$50 or \$60 for the average apartment, but it's best to call 410-543-8727 for a more accurate quote.

## Trayless

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"big!"  
As a member of The Commons staff cleaned the tables after dinner, she commented on the increase of trash, plates, and glasses found on tables and floors due to negativity towards going trayless.

"It's more work and trash for us," she said.

Some tables were filled with trash left on plates and messes were left everywhere.

"Maybe they should be transitioned into it slowly, with a start on breakfast," Yeager said.

Plates were put away and jackets were zipped as freshman Taylor Collignon prepared to find her way back to Choptank Hall.

"God, I'm just excited for tomorrow and my tray," she said.

## Lincoln

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taxes and the current debt and deficit America is facing.

Harris said he believes that reducing the reach of the Environmental Protection Agency will solve regulatory environmental problems, as one day the EPA might "literally regulate your breath, lowering carbon dioxide," he said.

Taxes were another main point of his speech. "Estate taxes should be eliminated so entrepreneurs will be able to pass everything on to their kid (which will in turn make them) earn a little more and make Americans work harder," Harris said.

However, his biggest issue was the United States' large debt. Harris

## Friday

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transportation to and from the event between 5 and 7 p.m.

Many within the community have embraced the event. Some feel downtown Salisbury is in need of revitalization.

"No one goes downtown," said senior James Paz y Mino. "There is no point."

This sentiment is not lost on the arts and entertainment community of Salisbury, which created Third Friday as a way to interest people in downtown Salisbury once again.

The event is an all-volunteer effort, from the committee to the bands that will entertain the crowd.

"The bands contribute their time and we help



Freshmen Frank Hinzman, Ashley Scherer and Erin Fleming enjoy a trayless meal at The Commons Feb. 9 during the SGA and Dining Services' trayless day.

Pat Hackley photo

## Boardwalk

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like if implemented.

"It is up to the Mayor and City Council, but the poll gives us an idea of what the public thinks," Ashley said. "There will also be a public hearing in March for added input."

Sophomore Jon Scott said he voted online for the all-wood option.

"I think it helps to keep a small-town feel at a place like OC where it is so family-oriented," he said.

Cost of renovation and maintenance are factors to be weighed in the final decision.

"All wood is the best option," said senior Chris Ward. "Sure, it's the most expensive and the hardest to maintain. Let's face it though, Ocean City's boardwalk is a regional if not national tourist attraction. Do you want to tarnish that reputation by stamping some concrete down the middle?"

Other students are open to change, considering the wear and tear caused by the trains on the Boardwalk.

"The real wear is done by the trains, which parade up and

down the boardwalk tons of times a day along the center," junior Tyler Butler said. "Maybe if they could run the trains less, (there would be less wear). Or the alternative is to put concrete in the middle. I like an idea that is this simple: put concrete under the boardwalk and lay the boards on top. At least in the center of the boardwalk, reinforce it with concrete."

The Mayor and City Council seek input at a public hearing held on March 7. No matter which option is chosen, the repairs and renovations will involve major restructuring.

## If you go

**Poll closes Feb. 28**  
<http://oceancitymd.gov/poll.html>

**Public hearing**  
When: March 7 at 6 p.m.  
Where: City Hall Council Chambers: 301 Baltimore Avenue, Ocean City, MD 21842

For additional information, call the City Clerk's Office at 410-249-8842.

## Crime Beat

2/2/11  
10 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.  
**Theft**  
Complainant reported the theft of his unsecured bicycle from the Caruthers Hall bike rack.

2/3/11  
10:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.  
**Theft**  
Complainant reported the theft of his unattended notebook from the Severn Hall Lounge area.

2/3/11  
9:15 p.m. - 9:50 p.m.  
**CD's (Drug Violation)**  
Resident Assistant reported a possible drug violation inside Severn Hall. University Police responded and all parties were identified. Criminal charges are pending.

2/4/11  
10 p.m. - 12:30 a.m.  
**Off-Campus Incident**  
Complainant reported that she may have ingested an unknown drug substance while attending an off-campus party.

2/4/11  
8:45 p.m. - 9:15 p.m.  
**Theft**  
Complainant reported a theft of personal property from her unsecured motor vehicle while parked in the GUC parking area (Lot D).

2/5/11  
8:30 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.  
**Malicious Destruction of Property**  
Complainant reported observing two bicycles stuck in the trees located between Chester and Choptank. The bikes were recovered and the owner notified.

02/06/11  
7:50 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.  
**Traffic Offense**  
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# EDITORIAL

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## Overheard: In Texas, sexting is a felony for minors, but the laws may soon change. What would you do to prevent sexting?

Photos and article by Shane Yeager



"I would make phones have breathalyzers, alcohol causes a lot of problems."

-Matt Althoff, senior



"Censor what the phone can type."

-Shelby Richardson-Lau, freshman



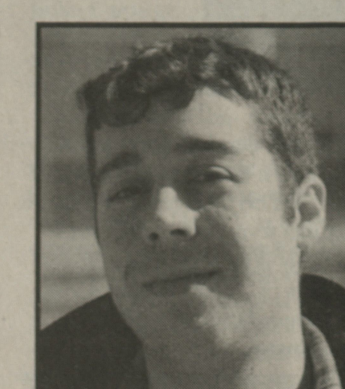
"Think of your mother!"

-Krysta Lewis, freshman



"Why do people even waste the time to sext?"

-Kyle Neely, sophomore



"I've never sexted in my life."

-Eric Nardi, sophomore

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## Roses are red, Maryland is blue

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If you popped the question to your Maryland state senator this Valentine's Day, you might actually see some social change this year. For a few weeks now, Maryland-Pop.com has asked Marylanders to "pop the question" to their state legislators to support bill SB 116 in a creative effort to legalize gay marriage.

For every call that a Marylander made to their legislator, a carnation was sent to

the Senator on February 14 as a show of support for gay marriage.

The wheels are already turning for Maryland state senators to formalize what many in Maryland feel should be law already. This is the equal marriage bill, formally known as the Religious Freedom and Civil Marriage Protection Act or, simply, SB 116.

The recent gains for Democratic seats in the Senate give hope for the bill to be passed. Once the bill clears the Senate, it will go on to the House of Delegates, which is generally

known for being more liberal. Then it will reach Governor O'Malley's desk.

Of the 47 state senators who will be able to vote on the bill, 20 have already publicly supported it, and only four more legislators voting for it would push to a majority vote, making it an issue that is very much under public scrutiny.

Gay marriage is considerably the highest-profile social issue that the Maryland General Assembly is facing this year. So, the issue has been put off largely because of conservative Catholic and African-American

church constituents. Maryland legislators have not really tried to push the issue since they prefer not to upset their voter base.

SB 116 would alter "a provision of law to establish that only a marriage between two individuals who are not otherwise prohibited from marrying is valid in the State..." This would be simpler than creating another institution like civil unions because it just changes the wording of a bill that already exists instead of setting up new parameters.

Though some states, such

as Hawaii and Illinois, have opted for the politically safer civil union bill, Maryland has an all-or-nothing approach to legalizing gay marriage. If the bill passes, Maryland would be the sixth U.S. state to legalize gay marriage. Washington D.C. has led the way and is the only jurisdiction that has not accepted civil unions before moving straight to marriage.

By denying gay Americans the right to be married in Maryland, we are continuing to deny equality in one of the most basic forms.

## Valentine's Day is about love, not just romance



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February stands out from other months due to its brief duration and many traditional celebrations. More specifically, African-American history is humbly complemented by the exultation for Valentine's Day.

Some would wholeheartedly demean Valentine's Day as nothing more than a conspiring plot against consumers put in place by Hallmark and other large corporations. To those individuals, Feb. 14

does not stir any emotional connection and is avoided at all costs—literally.

Valentine's Day is indeed a profitable exploitation in some regards, but the concept of love can still be considered an appropriate sentiment to nationally celebrate. People have to admit that receiving gifts is generally appreciated and can be a quick reminder of self-worth. Loved ones seek different forms of genuine expression from one another when February rolls around each year.

The criticism of the traditional day rests with the valid presumption that love or affection cannot be bought. However, Valentine's Day does not have to be cele-

brated exclusively through the exchange of gifts. Rather, the simplicity of certain heartfelt acts between couples are what characterize this special time of the year. Less is more.

Granted, those involved in a romantic relationship should continuously show their significant other their affection on a daily basis. But quite often, days such as Valentine's Day are the designated times for long distance couples to reunite. So, Valentine's Day does have some value for those who choose to appreciate it.

The biggest group of skeptics for Feb. 14 are those who do not have a valentine. Such people commonly assume that Valentine's Day

is a time only for romance. That's their number one mistake! They need to get past the extravagance, and recognize the real meaning behind everything on Feb. 14 is love.

Most individuals, if not all, can agree that they love another person. What is more necessary than a day that reminds everyone that it's OK to renew that affection every once in a while, and show someone that they are special?

Valentine's Day may have passed this year, but those significant people in our lives—friends, parents, children, co-workers or whoever—are always around. Showing them appreciation makes daily stresses seem a little less difficult.

## Ms. Advice

Where have all the men gone?

Over the next few weeks, look forward to a series investigating the woes of guys and girls. Fellas—you're up first, more or less because you're easier to pick on. But don't worry, the girls will have their day in the spotlight, too. And I will not give them any special favor. I'll even pick on myself.

While I was on my way to a friend's dorm, I overheard this colorful conversation. "Man, her cheeks were hanging out of her shorts..." It's a good thing it was dark, or he would have noticed my face, which no doubt showed how betrayed I felt.

I was disgusted (way to live up to all negative male stereotypes, buddy), annoyed (I didn't want to hear this—gross), and discouraged. Where have all the chivalrous men gone?

A few years ago, while working at Starbucks, one of my co-worker's friends came in and I overheard the following: "There was this girl out there, she was fine as f\*\*\*. I want to tap that s\*\*\*." He apologized to me once he realized I was there, but I still got a distinct impression. Since I wasn't someone he considered a "girl" but rather "one of the guys," he felt okay to speak that way in front of me.

Here's my message this week to guys: Just because you have a mouth, that doesn't mean you should use it. When you talk that way in front of girls—even if it's a girl that's only a friend—you look like a tool. But, that's probably because you are one. Also, treat your girls that are just friends with respect. Just because we're your friends, that doesn't mean we want to be talked to like one of the guys.

Here's my message to girls this week. Beware of the "tool." But take heart; chivalry is not dead. I've had more guys hold the door open for me on campus than anywhere I've ever been. I also happen to know many guys on campus who treat their girlfriends with respect and who extend that respect to me even though I'm just a friend.

Since the official start of this series won't be until next week, this will give me plenty of time to interview you guys and girls out there—with a spotlight on the guys first. Stay tuned for a continuation on the girls!

-The Girl Next Door

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LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE

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## Review: The rise and fall of "Glee"



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There is a very simple way to become loved by the American people, and that is to sing a Journey song. This is exactly what the cast of "Glee" did on their very first episode. After that song performance, their popularity skyrocketed, and the cast members of "Glee" became some of the most famous people in the United States.

The humorous writing of the show

was clever and complemented the interesting plot. And above all else, the music was always entertaining. When the first season ended, the country was enamored with the musical phenomenon that was "Glee." That's when everything started to go downhill.

The second season of "Glee" just couldn't compare to the first. The beginning was interesting to watch, and the writing was still smart. The second season gets cornier by the minute. Every episode has a few good moments, but the clichéd nature between the characters along with the predictable silliness that always ensues has become too much to handle. I usually just want to fast forward through live television to get to the songs. This is why I have mostly stopped watching "Glee" on Fox and have started using online sites like Hulu to see the new episodes, and skip through parts of the show when desired.

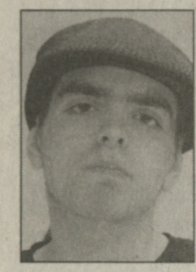
The only redeeming parts of the dialogue during the current season are the moments when the side characters get to speak. The cheerleading coach, Sue Sylvester, always makes for an interesting spectacle with her harsh words. "Glee" club members Santana and Puck also had hilarious moments during their very own scenes.

The show focused on just the main characters for a long time instead of

the other singers that it's almost tiring to see what they'll do with the same people. When the writers incorporate the minor characters more, the show really begins to shine.

Overall, "Glee" stands at a crossroads in its life. The program can either change for the better and last for years, or take the same path that shows like "Survivor" and "American Idol" have taken—in which case "Glee" will fade away by losing viewers every year. I personally hope the show survives. The musical diversity and good writing are things that I hope I can always rely on to brighten my week.

## Egypt: Now that Mubarak has been ousted, where to go from here?



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On Feb. 11, 2011, history was made. Only a few days ago, Hosni Mubarak claimed he would not step down as president of Egypt. Recently, Omar Suleiman announced the same. The success of a revolution is seldom had. A peaceful revolution is even more seldom.

Against all odds, over a million people flooded Tahrir Square to demand the resignation of the ex-

president. With Mubarak out of the picture, the control of Egypt has been temporarily passed to the military. "Ma-ajmala al-Hurriya," an Arabic phrase that roughly translates to "How beautiful is liberty!" now has a place in the heart of the average Egyptian, who accomplished the impossible.

While one victory has been won for the Egyptian people, it is important to note that an even greater struggle lies ahead. Omar Suleiman—the ex-vice president appointed by Mubarak—was once head of the Egyptian Mukhabarat (a.k.a. Egyptian General Intelligence Directorate). This is the very same organization which was responsible for carrying out the torture that ini-

tially rallied protesters. Suleiman is said to have directly overseen many of these tortures, including that of ex-detainee Mamdouh Habib, whose alleged crimes were disprovable in court.

Another relevant fact is that the Egyptian military had a key role in the Egyptian Revolution of 1952. While the revolution of 1952 was led by a military coup, Nasser did reach out to Ali Maher to form a civilian government. However, once the Egyptian military had control, the civilian government held very little power in comparison. The two presidents of Egypt after Nasser—Sadat and Mubarak—were both military men themselves.

Israeli-Egyptian relations are also

of the utmost concern. The Rafah border crossing represents Egypt's entrance into Palestine and could potentially become much more accessible due to the change in regime. This would greatly allow for the Palestinian markets and Exchange Traded Derivatives to grow—but at the expense of eased weapons-smuggling.

While it appears likely that a cease-fire will be broken in the near future, Israel has lost a powerful ally in Mubarak. Many of the aforementioned Muslim Brotherhood deeply sympathize with the Palestinian cause, and an increase in popularity could lead to Egypt cutting off diplomatic ties, as Turkey has already.

## Inside and out: the mirror



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There is an old Japanese folktale titled "The Mirror of Matsuya," which tells the story of a man who went away on a trip and brought his wife back a mirror. The woman had never seen a mirror before, and she was afraid of it. The man explained to his wife that it was her image in the glass. Years later, the woman passed the mirror on to her daughter and became very ill soon thereafter. After her mother's death, the girl would look into the mirror, and see what she believed to be her mother's beautiful young face—untainted by illness and age.

What does this folktale have to do with anything? Well, the story made me start to wonder what life would be like if no one in America had ever seen a mirror.

Personally, I know that my life would be completely different. I use a mirror first thing in the morning to fix my hair and to sometimes put on makeup. I use a mirror to check and touch up on my appearance throughout the day. In fact, I've noticed that whenever I pass a mirror I tend to look into it, whether I need to or not. I use mirrors to pick out clothing. And, without a mirror, putting in my contact lenses would certainly be a challenge.

Mirrors have become an essential part of our lives. The problem is that

we can become obsessed with that image in the glass. How much time do you spend in front of a mirror every day? I'd say I probably spend at least an hour. We begin to compare ourselves to others when using mirrors, but let's face it: when it comes to outward appearance, few of us can say that we meet our own personal standards.

Why do we worry so much about how we look? This problem is particularly common for girls. A 1997 study by the Social Issues Research Centre revealed that nearly 80 percent of women are dissatisfied with their appearance, and an estimated one-half of those women had a distorted body image.

On their site, the SIRC noted that, "The current media ideal for women is achievable by less than (5 percent) of the female population—and that's just in terms of weight and size. If you want the ideal shape, face, etc., it's probably more like (1 percent)." So why should we put up with this? Why should we allow ourselves to be so concerned with what we see in a small piece of glass? I think I'd rather spend my life worrying about other things.

I'm not saying we should toss our mirrors in the trash. We still want to look and feel good, and that's certainly important. But try not to worry so much about how you compare to everyone else. After all, everyone has his or her own standard of beauty.

As Sophia Loren so eloquently said, "Beauty is how you feel inside, and it reflects in your eyes. It is just not something physical."

## Have the Peas lost their touch?



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Excitement and gossip spread when people found out the Black Eyed Peas were playing for this year's Super Bowl halftime show, but did they live up to all the talk? Accompanying this quarter were Slash and Usher, both of which were a nice touch, while the rest was questionable.

Dressing in neon spacesuits did not help the Black Eyed Peas' case much, but being surrounded by fluorescent dancers could be considered entertaining and "trippy." As they performed various lyrics from the songs "I've Got a Feeling," "Boom Boom Pow," "Pump It" and "Let's Get It Started," the fluorescent dancers created an assortment of shapes such as hearts and arrows, and they even did the wave. Though it may have been over-the-top, it did generally contribute to the overall performance.

As Fergie attempted to give her best Axl Rose impression, Slash rose from the stage to play the riff from "Sweet Child O' Mine." Fergie proceeded to dance promiscuously around him, as her voice continued to sound rather harsh throughout the entire show. On the other hand, Usher was more than likely lip-synching for his song "OMG," but he still swayed the audience with his smooth dance moves. This was a great addition to the otherwise not-so-superb halftime performance as well.

Concerning the Black Eyed Peas, "I liked them before the halftime show, but that was pretty awful," said upperclassman Mallory Lengel. "Their songs were almost unrecognizable." Lengel said she was particularly referring to the butchered-up vocals.

Though they were far from being "Fergalicious," the group could have performed much better if they had all of their reverberant machines. The Peas have proven they are not a concert band. Therefore, the Peas are definitely more successful as a studio band. Keep your chin up, Pea fans. There's still hope.



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"Marriage" is a word with a lot of depth. People believe in different definitions of marriage and are readily able to protect the sanctity of their views. Chick-Fil-A has come under backlash from different organizations for providing sandwiches and brownies to an event sponsored by the Pennsylvania Family Institute, a "traditional, foundational" family-based group which has rallied against gay marriage in the past, according to a New York Times article.

Chick-Fil-A is a company well known for its religious ethos. Founder S. Truett Cathy told CBN News that the marriage commitment made sense for Chick-Fil-A because the company follows Biblical principles. It's no wonder Chick-Fil-A is famous for being closed on Sundays. I can understand the anger by LGBT organizations because such an event is surely bound to upset and offend them. One can look at Perez Hilton's blog, a famous gay Internet celebrity. "These words are hateful and destructive," Hilton said in regards to the organization's stance on gay marriage. One headline even said, "If you're eating Chick-Fil-A, you're eating anti-gay."

However, I have to wonder why people are so shocked and how come their reaction didn't come sooner. This is not something new for Chick-Fil-A. In 2006, Smart Marriage—a coalition for marriage education—gave Chick-Fil-A founder Cathy its first-ever business award for supporting healthy marriages, according to CBN.

Chick-Fil-A has always maintained a Christian religious affiliation since its birth in the early 1960s. Chick-Fil-A has even donated to the Focus on the Family organization as well as others with similar stances on gay marriage. I do not support the Pennsylvania Family Institute due to its various political stances, and I would not go to such an event. However, the different statements that emerged by Chick-Fil-A show me their business doesn't mean to be hateful. The appropriate approach for this situation is to rationally explain why it is so hurtful to sponsor such an event. Hatefully protesting against it is not helpful because I don't think that Chick-Fil-A understands why people are so angry.

Then again, people and organizations are entitled to have their own opinions, even if they are hurtful. People can also choose to spend their money wherever they wish. So if one is frustrated by Chick-Fil-A and their response, simply don't eat there anymore. Letters to Chick-Fil-A may also make a statement.

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# GULL LIFE

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## Mr. Attraction shares dating wisdom

Attendees learn tips to use in life and at Speed Dating

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Matt Goldman photo

Ryan Clauson, also known as Mr. Attraction, brings humor and dating advice into his talk with students on Feb. 7.

ious, and that his tips revealed her own nervous habits from a recent date.

Sophomore Nathan Giocondia said he enjoyed Mr. Attraction's advice on emotional questions.

"I'll use that this weekend," he said. Students like junior Joe Esposito put Mr. Attraction's tips to the test at Speed Dating, which was hosted by SOAP and the Union of African-American Students.

"I asked all the typical questions about their major and year and stuff, but then I delved down into the fun stuff, like what they do in their spare time," he said. "It really was a good time to learn a lot about different sorts of people."

In agreement, junior Bryan Rodriguez said that if he had the chance to speed date again, he would. "You get to meet new people,

hopefully when you see them outside of this you can be like 'Hi, I remember you,'" he said.

Freshman and SOAP Film Chair Kerry Reed said that a lot of people may be too afraid to try speed dating. "I'll admit, it was weird at first. But after a while you get used to it," she said. "I actually went on a date last night from speed dating."

This advice parallels what Mr. Attraction told his audience: "Do what you fear and you won't fear anymore." "I used to be terrible with women," he said. "I never kissed a girl in high school."

It wasn't until college, when a friend suggested he practice being social, that Clauson understood.

"Attraction is a real art," he explained. "It can be learned like any other skill."

## The scoop on National Eating Disorder Awareness Week

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Approximately 10 percent of American women have an eating disorder, said Natalie Banwarth, an intern for the Counseling Center. According to Banwarth, if you translate that into the SU population, that's about 450 to 900 students on campus that would have an eating disorder.

The Counseling Center, Active Minds—a student organization promoting mental health awareness with chapters at different universities—and other departments are

dedicating a week to National Eating Disorder Awareness from Feb. 21-25. Each day will feature a different event to raise awareness about eating disorders and mental health.

Kicking things off on Monday, the bathroom mirrors across campus will be partially covered to remind people that inner beauty is more important than outer beauty. "I remember seeing all the Post-It notes with positive messages in the bathroom last year. I thought it was a really good idea because it reminded girls to not be so body-conscious," said junior Natasha Apau.

On Tuesday there will be a Mind and Body Fair in Fireside Lounge from 11 to 2 p.m., featuring various activities like a cooking demonstration, stress balls, funhouse mirrors and door prizes.

Counselors will be on site for consultations and will offer resources on how to seek treatment for an eating disorder.

At 6 p.m. on Tuesday, there will also be a speaker in Holloway Hall. Colleen Coffey, an eating disorder survivor, will speak about mental health and dealing with eating disorders while being in college.

Events will continue Wednesday and Thursday, and concluding the

week on Friday, Dr. Ellen Neufeldt will speak at noon about eating disorders and healthy living on the front steps of Holloway Hall.

Sammy the Sea Gull walk with students for the cause. "If there is somebody in their life that they're trying to be supportive of, Student Health Services and the Counseling Center are all places that you can come to," said Jennifer Berkman, Director of Student Health Services.

"We can coach you in terms of how to be supportive of that person, but also how to try to get them to get some help and support," she said.

If you go  
Mirrorless Monday  
Mirrors will be covered

Think About It Tuesday  
11 a.m. - 2 p.m.: Mind and Body Fair, Fireside Lounge

Worry-Free Wednesday  
11 a.m. - 2 p.m.: Screenings, information and prizes offered in The Commons  
2:30 - 4:30 p.m.: Screenings, information and prizes offered at the University Fitness Center

Untailored Thursday  
"Be Comfortable in Your Genes" drive

Flock Together Friday  
Noon: Dr. Ellen Neufeldt will speak in the front of Holloway Hall. Afterwards, Sammy the Sea Gull and students will walk around campus.

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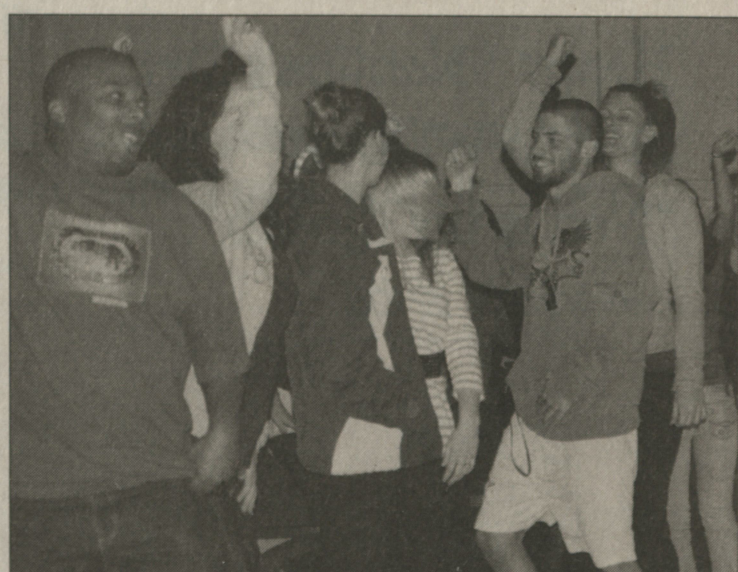
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SU defensive midfielder Dean Rossi (44) prepares to catch a pass in the first game of the season Feb. 13.



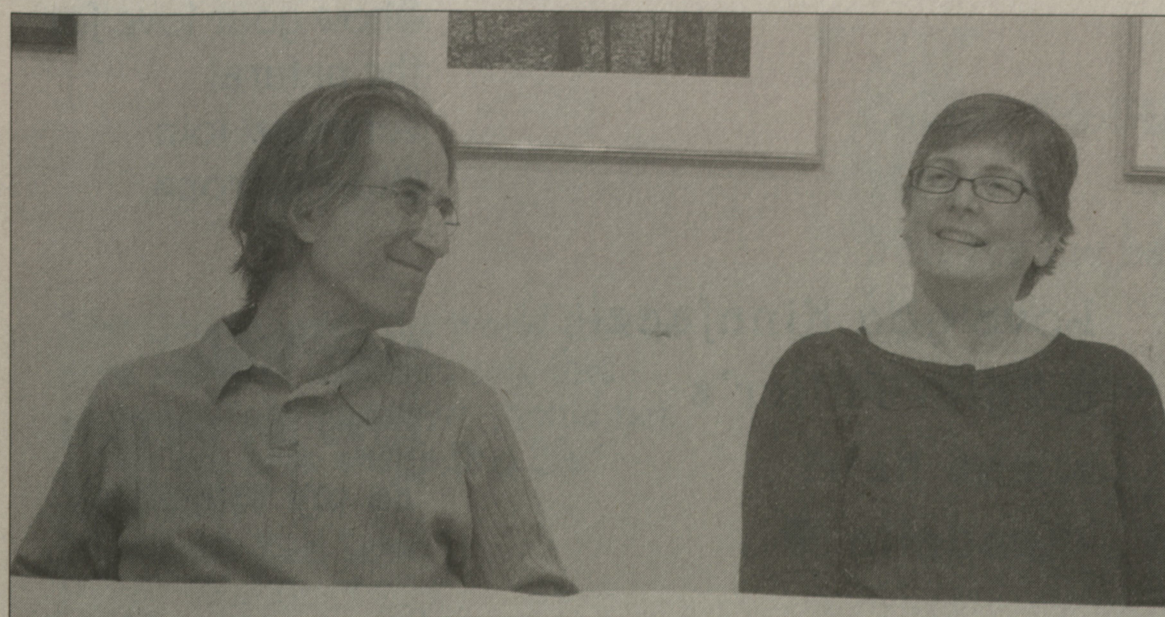
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An impersonator of former President Abraham Lincoln greets Republicans at the Lincoln Day Dinner Feb. 12.



Erin Corcoran photo

Audience members get up and move during SOAP's Mr. Attraction event Feb. 7 in Holloway Hall.



Lura Herriman photo

Carl Goldhagen and Jeanne Anderton discussed 20th Century Masterworks at the Nature in American Photography panel discussion on Feb. 8. It was moderated by art historian Ursula Ehrhardt.



Erin Corcoran photo

Students meet their matches at Speed Dating, hosted by SOAP and the Union of African-American Students, on Feb. 9.



# The Flyer Valentines 2011

Caitlin,  
You're my favorite  
person in the world.  
I love you -Paul

Happy V to  
APIC!  
From your loving  
advisor

To my wonderful boyfriend,  
Zack, I love you very much!  
-Robert

Happy Valentine's Day,  
Janyla Williams.  
"You is my Queen."

Dearest Ben,  
Tryin to HIT that son?  
Love, your secret math  
admirer

Hey pool  
Love you!

May everyone enjoy their  
upcoming holiday, and  
their empty pockets -)  
-Mike G.

Dear Allison,  
You make the best frankies.  
Will you be my valentine?  
-Brady-

TRUE LOVE!  
Campus Mass (Catholic)  
Sundays 5:30 p.m.  
Scarborough

Happy Valentine's Day!  
Go Greek!  
-Pi Lam

To: Rebecca  
From: Sam  
Happy Valentine's  
Baby!!  
Happy 3 months :)

Babycakes,  
Roses are red,  
Violets are blue.  
Everything is better  
when I'm with you.  
♥ Lovebug

Love you Kinafae!  
& Tyler Miller's  
simba hair!  
-Kendella ♥

Nick Perry,  
Hey! You're a great  
friend, I hope you  
never LOSE THE  
GAME!

Dear Laurel,  
You're kinda awesome.  
Just figured I would let  
you know.  
Steven

Happy Valentines  
Baby girl from ya  
baby boy.

Show your love for  
the natural  
seigners! Join  
Bio-Environs.

Dear Miele,  
Ryan has no class.  
Be my valentine.

Dear Briq,  
Happy  
Valentine's  
Day. -John

Dear Amanda,  
You have been such a  
great friend this year.  
Thank you so much!  
Love, Tootie

Talk About Love!  
Wednesdays  
7:30 p.m.  
Catholic Campus  
Ministry House

Dear Rena,  
Thanks for the buffalo  
sauce. I will always  
treasure that memory.  
-Adrienne

Congratulations  
Zeta babies!  
Love, the sisters of  
Zeta Tau Alpha

To Lauren  
Westmeyer  
I Got MAD LOVE  
For You SHAWTY

I love  
lamp!  
-Sigma Pi

Steven Berstler Jr.,  
You're the best roomie  
in the world! We love  
you.

Love, 1404 # 107

"For God so loved the world that he  
gave His only begotten son, that  
whoever believes in him should not  
perish but have everlasting life."  
John 3:16  
Now that's Real Love.  
Happy Valentine's Day.  
-The Wesley Foundation-

Kendall —  
We've got something to tell  
you...

-Theo, Sam and Waldron

Happy Valentine's  
Day to my lovely  
sisters of Delta  
Gamma!  
It's - Brittany D.

To: My many loved  
ones who share  
the affliction  
known as "GG,"  
I love you all.

Will you be my  
valentine, Diana?  
-Nate

Em,  
You're hot ... Let's continue  
dating. Or not, it's your  
decision, but I like the idea.  
Babe, you're beautiful and  
you're all I can think about.  
-Dave

Esther!!  
Miss you girl! Come back  
o, come back!  
Love ya, Johnita

Mike,  
Happy one-year anniversary! It's  
been a great year and I love you!

Love, Vanessa

Colleen "Hot Lips"  
McGraw,  
You are the best  
big ever!  
Love you, Bex

Tootie,  
Thanks for being my  
best friend and  
keeping me sane  
first semester.  
Love, Amanda

Carolyn,  
Happy Valentine's  
Day! Love, MZ

Amy! Happy  
Valentine's!

Dear Sigma Pi,  
I love you.  
Sincerely,  
Every girl on  
campus. Seriously,  
every single one.  
Even your girl-  
friend.



# Baking is a piece of cake for Gough

Marketing student shares business plan for the future

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Chelsea Gough, 19, has been baking since she was in elementary school.

A marketing major at SU, she now designs and decorates her own cakes.

"Both of my grandmothers used to professionally decorate cakes," Gough said, recalling how she used to go to their houses and watch them work.

She said she has mostly taught herself how to make cakes and her grandmothers gave her the supplies. She has made cakes mostly for friends and family.

"I've probably sold five or six cakes overall," she said.

Gough will graduate next spring after three years of intense study at SU. She plans on going to Johnson and Wales in Charlotte, N.C. for baking and pastry arts.

Gough said she knows exactly how she wants to utilize her baking



Submitted photo

Chelsea Gough baked and decorated this snowboarding cake, which is currently entered in the Amazing Cake Photo Contest on WEtv.com.

and marketing skills.

Ultimately, Gough wants to own a shopping center where customers can have what she calls a one-stop shop experience. A friend of hers is majoring in fashion design, and Gough wants her friend's dress shop to be in the future shopping center. The other stores she envisions would be a flower shop, a liquor store and a tuxedo shop. The last store would be her cake shop that she will call "Chelsea's Cake Creations." Breakfast and lunch will also be available, and the cakes will top everything off.

In addition to her shopping center, Gough wants to own a banquet hall where people can hold their weddings and get a discount on their wedding cakes. Gough has a binder filled with recipes she's created, as well as decorating ideas for her cake shop.

Gough said she has wanted to

make baking her profession since a culinary school came to her high school when she was a sophomore. She decided on marketing because it's something she can use for the business she plans on running someday, but also because she can apply it in other areas as a backup.

"My dad's been there telling me this has been a good idea all along," Gough said, "It's through his influence that I decided to go here."

She submitted her favorite cake, a snowboarding cake she made for her cousin's birthday a few years ago to the WEtv.com "Amazing Cakes Photo Contest," and her cake currently is ranked a 9 out of 10.

To anyone who tries to tell her that her plans are a risk, she said she's a positive person and she's not going to let them get her down.

"They don't have to believe in me, I'll just have to prove them wrong."



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Chelsea Gough poses with her snowboard-themed cake.

# Keeping the beat with Bonsteel

SU employee writes music for video games and is producing a band

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Brian Bonsteel, an employee with Salisbury University catering services, is a perfect example of the many talents SU's faculty and students have. His talents span way beyond his catering duties.

Bonsteel is currently writing music for video games. He has also written music for commercials and films.

"I try to keep my music interesting by creating a good hook that everyone can come away humming," he said.

Growing up, Bonsteel always had an interest in music. He began composing in seventh grade, keeping tally of his songs that he created by adding to the number in his AOL Instant Messenger profile. By eighth grade, Bonsteel had composed 795 original songs.

He continued to study music at East Carolina University for 10 years. He took courses in music history, music theory, and music composition to help further his musical career.

Raised in South Africa, Pakistan, and Uruguay, Bonsteel says growing up in different places made him who he is today.

"It really helps to give you perspective if you've been out of the country," he said. "I prefer exploring and seeing the world."

Living out of the country has also helped inspire Bonsteel's composition, production and performance of his music.

He describes his music as "digital acoustic future pop" or "space pop" for short.

"I take a lot of influences from electronic, alternative rock and classic rock."

Bonsteel's biggest influence for his music comes from video games, though, and he used to sing and hum video game jingles.

"I always used to be able to recite Nintendo music to my family, and that's what got me interested," he said.

Some of his biggest role models in the video game recording industry are Koji

Kando and Nobuo Uematsu. Kando composes the music that is featured on the Super Mario video games and Uematsu composes the music featured on the Final Fantasy video games.

Currently, Bonsteel manages his own website, [www.bonsteelaudio.com](http://www.bonsteelaudio.com), which features his music.

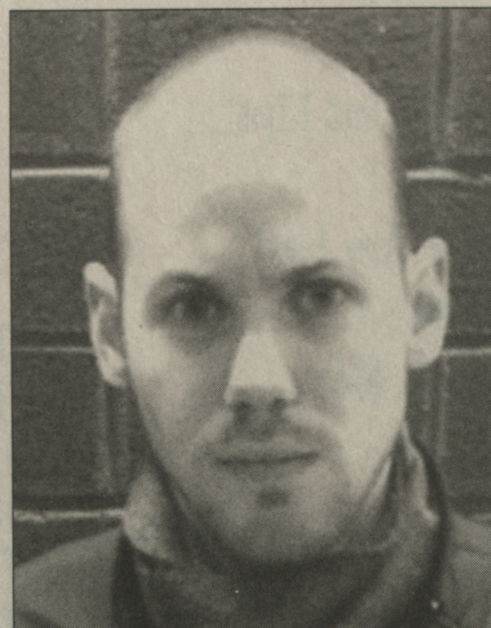
He is also producing his own band named Skyway Nine. They recently released a single titled "That's Not What She Said," a "lyrical spin-off of a popular phrase that was used too much," Bonsteel said.

Besides composing music, Bonsteel hopes to teach and mentor others with music.

"If someone really wants to compose music but they don't have the resources or experience, I'd be happy to help with that," he said.

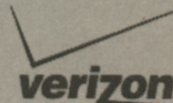
In ten years, Bonsteel sees himself mentoring other aspiring musicians.

"I would like to produce different musicians and help them find the musical potential in what they do," he said.



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# SPORTS

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# Bobcats beat SU men's and women's basketball teams

Gulls celebrate Senior Day, but leave the court with losses

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Feb. 12 marked a special day at Maggs Physical Activities Center, as it was Senior Day for both the men's and women's basketball teams. The Salisbury University women's team hosted the annual WBCA "Pink Zone" game to raise breast cancer awareness.

"It is an honor to be part of the Pink Zone tradition," said Salisbury women's head coach Charisse Mapp. "It's something that's near and dear to all of us and that's what matters the most

about today."

The game ended in a loss for the Lady Gulls as they fell to the Frostburg State Bobcats 69-59 after a strong comeback effort in the second half.

Salisbury went into the half down only 29-28, but that soon turned into a 41-29 deficit.

The Gulls slowly cut away at the lead with help from foul shots — 19-23 on the afternoon — and eventually made it only a 55-52 game with a little over five minutes left. Frostburg then responded with a scoring run, which sealed the game.

"We didn't quit," Mapp said.

"Frostburg is a good team and they didn't allow us to get rebounds, which was frustrating and made it tough for us to come back."

Chante' McKinney, the team's lone senior, was also honored before the game as it was her last home game at Salisbury.

"I was really excited about the turnout this year," McKinney said. "My family and a lot of alumni even

came to this."

The Salisbury women's team now falls to a record of 8-15 with a 5-9 record in the Capital Athletic Conference.

"We keep letting the small things affect us; it's very unfortunate," said junior guard Glen Charlton, who scored 20 points.

The men's team also suffered a disappointing loss to Frostburg State, ending their three-game win streak — which included a victory over the No. 1 team in the conference, St. Mary's (Md.).

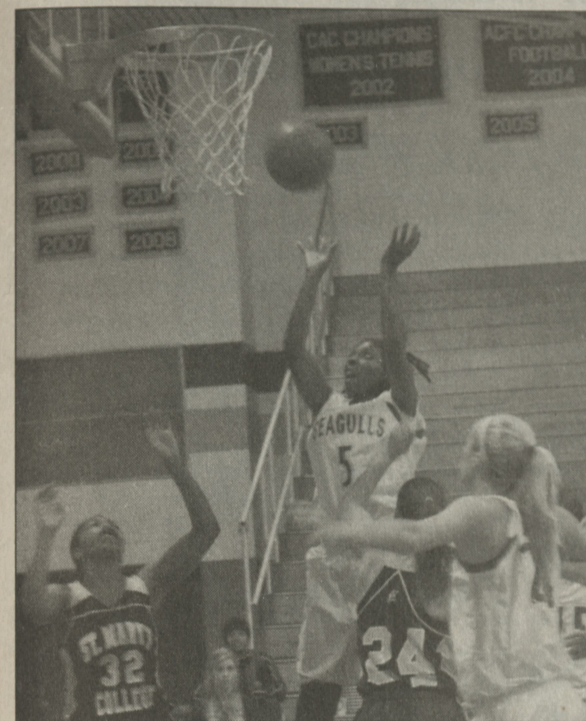
"When you beat the best team in the CAC, it doesn't go under the radar, and Frostburg came in and played really well today," said Head Coach Steve Holmes.

The game got off to a rough start for Salisbury, as they trailed by seven early in the first half. The Bobcats were very effective at forcing turnovers and turning them into easy baskets for most of the afternoon, especially Frostburg sophomore forward DeSean Antoine.

Salisbury managed to stay in the game by drawing a lot of fouls and being efficient from the free-throw line (14-20 for the game). To their dismay, Frostburg kept pulling away every time the Gulls got close and ended up winning the game 75-68.

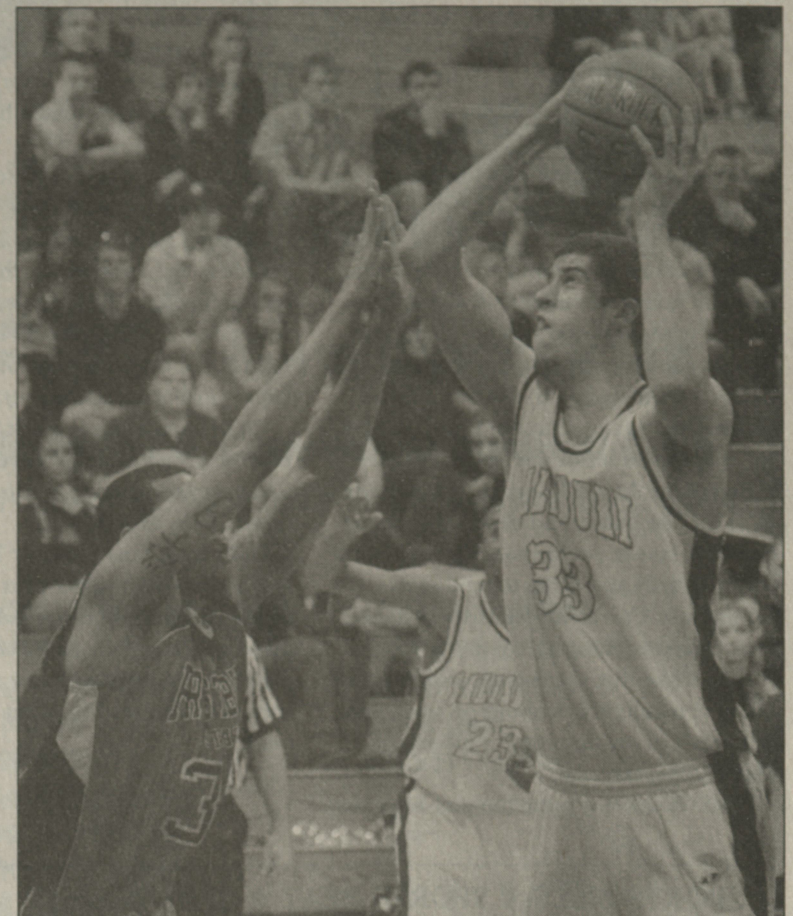
"We definitely have to stop with the silly turnovers; we had a lot of those today," said junior forward Mike Maczko.

The loss puts Salisbury and Frostburg State at a tie for 6th place in the CAC with a 5-9



Jackie Holder photo

Junior guard Milan Dry goes for the basket against her St. Mary's opponent. The Gulls lost 61-60.



Justin Odendhal photo

Senior center Chris McGrew shoots past his Frostburg rival. The Sea Gulls fell to the Bobcats on Senior Day, 75-68.

record in conference play. Salisbury must win their next two games on the road against Hood and York (Pa.) to qualify for the conference tournament in two weeks.

"Obviously, we'd like to go into the tournament full-speed ahead but you have to get in any way you can because any team can upset anyone else in this league,"

Holmes said.

The first of both the men's and women's last two road contests will be on Feb. 16 against the Hood College Blazers.

"We are good enough to compete with anybody in this league," said senior guard Eric Johnson.

Lady Gulls lose by one point to St. Mary's (Md.)

# Sea Gull Open prepares SU for upcoming season

Photos from the weekend event

SALISBURY, Md. — The Salisbury University women's basketball team dropped a close Capital Athletic Conference contest Wednesday night, 61-60, to St. Mary's (Md.) College of Maryland as the Seahawks came up with the game-winning bucket with less than two seconds remaining on the clock.

Salisbury (8-14, 5-8 CAC) took its last lead of the game with seven seconds remaining. Junior KC Curran inbounded the ball from just in front of her own bench and hit sophomore Katie McGahagan with a lob pass on a back cut to the rim. McGahagan laid the ball in for a 60-59 Sea Gull lead.

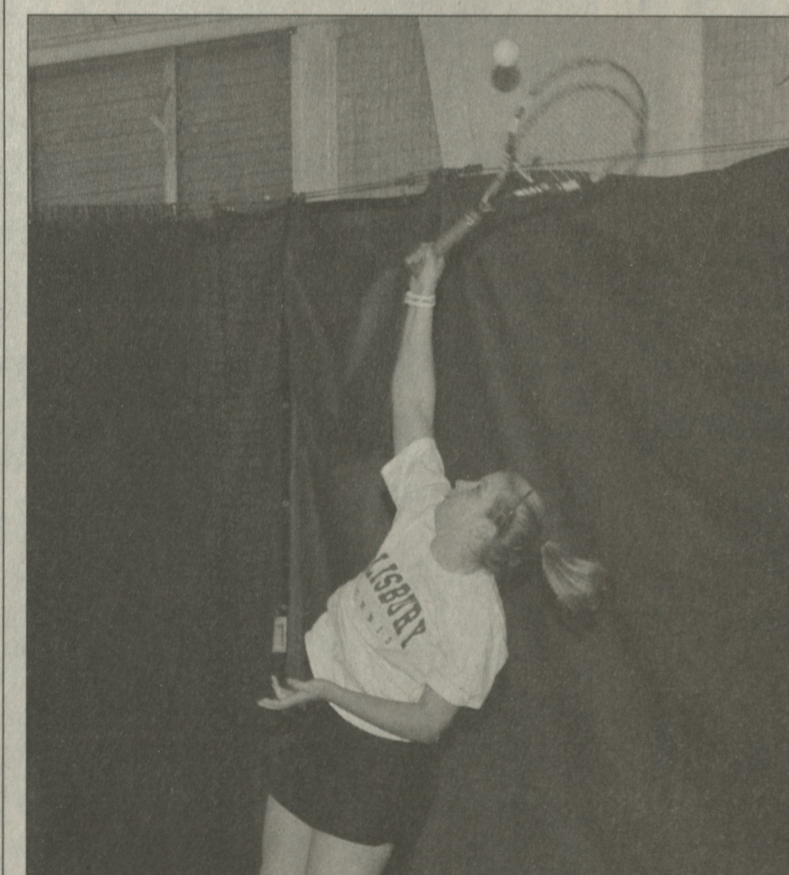
The lead would only last a few seconds. After a Salisbury foul, the Seahawks (11-11, 7-7 CAC) would take the ball out near center court. The inbound pass went to Jamie Roberts in the front court. Roberts drove the right side of the lane, and tossed up a scoop shot through a pair of Salisbury defenders.

The ball bounced on the rim, and fell through with 1.7 seconds left for the last of seven lead changes in the game. Roberts finished with a game-high 20 points.

Neither team was able to pull away at any point in the contest. The largest lead of the game for St. Mary's came in the first half, when the Seahawks led by nine. Salisbury's biggest advantage came after a Curran three-pointer with 14:50 left in the game gave the Gulls a 43-36 lead.

Curran finished with nine points to go with a team-high four assists. Sophomore Nicole Sisco had one of her best days in a Sea Gull uniform, scoring 18 points and pulling down 14 rebounds, one off of her career high. Sisco also swatted five St. Mary's shots, which matches her career-high. The double-double was Sisco's third of the season and sixth of her career.

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Dan Anderson photo

A member of the Salisbury University tennis team competes in the Sea Gull Open on Saturday.



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Because of the cooler weather, the Sea Gull Open was held at the University's Indoor Tennis Center.

# Athlete Spotlight

Chelsea Tavik



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Chelsea Tavik, a Glen Burnie, Md., native, is a sophomore shot-putter at Salisbury University. Tavik attended Seton Keough High School and is double-majoring in early childhood development and elementary education with a minor in psychology. A true powerhouse for the Sea Gulls, Tavik recently broke her own school record with a throw of 44' 1.5". The Flyer recently sat down with Tavik and she answered a few questions.

How long have you been doing track and field?

"Since freshman year of high school, but I didn't start throwing until my junior year. Before that I was a runner."

You recently broke your own school record in the shot put. How did it feel to set the NCAA provisional qualifying mark?

"It was like a dream come true because I had been trying all last year. So I just went out there the first throw and did it. So now it's just about beating myself and moving up even further."

What led you to shot-putting?

"After I got injured, I did not want to stop track and field so the next best thing to running was shot put. So I just picked up a shot and I was good at it from the start and fell in love with it."

Do you have any routines or superstitions you like to go through before a meet?

"I tap my foot a lot when I'm in the circle and play with the shot put against my neck. I also always have to wear tall socks."

Where do you see yourself after college?

"Mostly in the javelin, I want to keep competing there. Some people even tell me there is a chance I could go to

the Olympics for the javelin. I would also really like to coach high school track."

What is one of the best ways for shot-putters to practice?

"Just drill. I will take the shot put and practice form as many as 20 times and then when I go to the circle I will be ready."

What are some of your hobbies?

"I'm in a sorority, Phi Mu, which keeps me pretty busy. I like to go paintballing when I get a free weekend. Mostly just hanging out with friends, though. I also like to snowboard whenever I get the chance."

Did your team win the Super Bowl?

"No, the Ravens lost. But I was pretending they were playing the Steelers, so they won in spirit, haha."

Who are some of your role models, whether it be family, celebrity, athlete etc?

"Actually, my grandfather is my biggest fan. He calls me every day and comes to every meet. He has already taken time off to come to nationals in Columbus, Ohio."

Has it always been shot-putting for you in terms of your signature sport?

"No, shot put was just something I picked up and got good at. I used to play softball but it ended up being track and field as something I really wanted to do. You could say softball is my fun sport and track is competitive."

Here's your chance to brag...what is it that has put you on top in the world of college shot put?

"I am nowhere near the strongest thrower on the team but I have a very quick throw. I have a lot of power and great technique that allows me to compete at that high level. I was blessed with a fast right arm."



## Super Bowl win brings Lombardi trophy home

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The 2010-2011 National Football League season finally came to a close as the Green Bay Packers won their fourth NFL championship in team history in Super Bowl XLV. Held at Cowboys Stadium in Arlington, Texas, Super Bowl XLV did not disappoint football fans as the Pittsburgh Steelers rallied from a 21-3 deficit earlier in the game to bring the final score to 28-25.

The Packers took control of the game early by taking advantage of a couple Steeler turnovers and turning them into points. Despite this strong comeback effort from Pittsburgh in the second half, Green Bay managed to hold onto the lead for the remainder of the game. Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers was named MVP of the game, and deservedly so, as he had a strong performance going 24-39 for 304 yards and three touchdowns.

Salisbury University students had their own opinions about this year's game. "I feel like this year's game didn't stand out that much; it was about on level with last year's in my opinion," sophomore Max Millhausen said.

While it was not quite the nail-biter that

Super Bowl XLIII was with the Steelers beating the Arizona Cardinals at the last minute, or the upset that Super Bowl XLII was with the New York Giants ending the New England Patriots' perfect season, many people still enjoyed watching the game.

"Last year's game was a lot more exciting," sophomore Sam Voorhees said. "But seeing a team finally beat the Steelers was nice."

The Super Bowl always seems to attract a lot of viewers, even non-football fans. According to Nielsen Co., 111 million people tuned in to watch the Packers take on the Steelers. Among the commercials, entertainment and general hype that surrounds the event, it is bound to bring in a large viewing audience every year.

"My favorite thing about the Super Bowl was just talking to everyone at the Cru party and having a good time," sophomore Sean Morley said.

Right now, fans can only hope there will be an NFL season next year given the potential lockout between the owners and players union. Talks between the two parties have apparently not improved; it should be interesting to see what happens.



Justin Odendhal photo

Sophomore midfielder Ryan Clarke runs past his Greensboro defender on Sunday. The Sea Gulls won their first home game of the 2011 season, 25-2.

## Gulls start off lacrosse season strong

SU beats Greensboro by 23 points

SALISBURY – The third-ranked Salisbury University men's lacrosse team opened up its 2011 season in a big way on Sunday afternoon, earning a resounding 25-2 victory against Greensboro College in front of a crowd of 740 at Sea Gull Stadium.

The Sea Gulls (1-0) scored a total of 11 goals in the first quarter alone – three of them coming off the stick of junior midfielder Sam Bradman – while limiting the Pride (0-1) to a single goal for the entire half. After two quarters of play, Salisbury led Greensboro by a score of 15-1, with nine different Sea Gulls finding the back of the cage.

First-half statistics were representative of the score; Salisbury went a perfect 10-for-10 in clears and won 12 of 18 face-offs against the Pride.

The second half was more of the same for the Gulls, who outscored the Pride 10-1 in the final 30 minutes of the contest. A total of 14 Sea Gulls scored goals in the victory, including freshman midfielder Mike LaPaglia, who netted his first

career score in the fourth quarter. Junior attackman Tony Mendes scored a pair of goals in his debut as a Sea Gull; classmate Erik Krum scored four, a team-high. Bradman also finished with four goals to go with his team-high three assists.

All four of Salisbury's goalkeepers saw time in the cage but it was senior Johnny Rodriguez who earned the win, playing the entire first half and making three saves.

The 23-goal margin of victory marks the second-largest for Salisbury since March 4, 2009, when the Sea Gulls beat Capital Athletic Conference opponent Hood College by a score of 28-1.

The maroon and gold's next contest, a road game against Lynchburg College, will be played on Saturday, Feb. 19 at 1 p.m. Salisbury then returns to Sea Gull Stadium on Wednesday, Feb. 23 for a match-up against Washington & Lee College. The first face-off is scheduled for 3:30 p.m.

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### Track and Field

The Salisbury University men's and women's track and field teams competed in the Vince Brown Invitational on Feb. 12, hosted by Christopher Newport University.

Junior Jennifer Houghton set a new program mark in the women's weight throw, a

top personal best. Houghton's distance of 48' 4.5" topped the previous record set in 2006 by K.C. Gale.

In the women's shot put, sophomore Chelsea Tavik sealed a second place finish. Tavik's distance of 41' 7.25" was close to a NCAA provisional qualifier.

For the men, junior Jay Drenner collected a second place finish in the men's contest with a distance of 50' 5.25". Sea Gull assistant head coach Brandon Fugett also competed in the meet. Fugett won the top spot in men's shot put with a distance of 52' 10.25".

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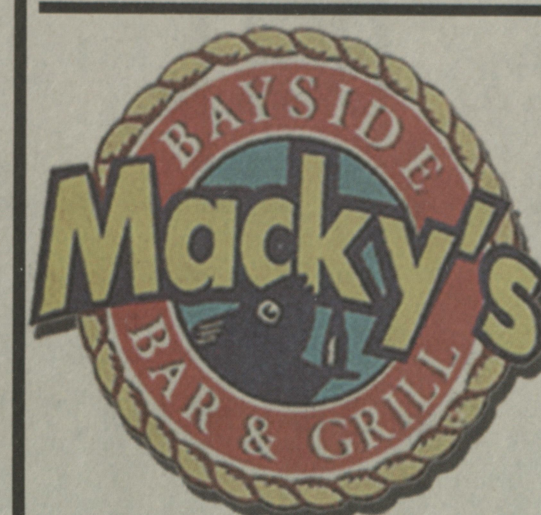
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